## SENATE . . . . . . . . . . . . No.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jason M. Lewis, (BY REQUEST)

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying resolve:

Resolve for memorializing the Massachusetts Delegation, and the United States Congress, on the need for official, and general support of a Federal ERA, and public education, regarding this subject.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:Vincent Dixon60 Lake St Apt N Winchester MA 01890

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court (2025-2026)

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- 1 Resolved, 1.) The Great and General Court of Massachusetts, hereby Resolves that we
- 2 officially support, and generally support, the implementation of the adopted Federal Equal Rights
- 3 Amendment (ERA) to The United States Constitution.
- 4 2.) Since the formal adoption of the Equal Rights Amendment to the Massachusetts
- 5 Constitution, in 1976, general public opinion, and legal circumstance(s), have generally found
- 6 that this was a good, and proper expansion of full rights, to an expanded portion of the
- 7 population, of our Commonwealth. This has widened the base of full legal participation, of all of
- 8 our people; and implementation of the Ratified Federal Equal Rights Amendment, would so
- 9 strengthen The United States as a whole.
- 3.) It is in the interests of respecting a widened sweep of rights for our population, and
- particularly across the states of The United States, keeping peaceful, social, and legal freedoms,
- and expanding those freedoms, and their appropriate legal evolution, that The United States

13 Constitution should include such rights, in specific language. Massachusetts wishes to go on 14 record, as supporting such efforts; as it has, since it Ratified this particular Amendment.

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- 4.) Massachusetts as a leader, in The United States; and The United States as a leader in the World, would benefit, by both strong support, and significant public education, on the values, and benefits of this Federal Equal Rights Amendment (ERA).
- 5.) This legislation authorizes, significant, and sufficient notification of Congressional, and other Federal authorities, and others; and such appropriate public education, and publicity, as is appropriate; such needed authority, residing in the Office of the Secretary of State, of The Commonwealth.